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Sir:

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Lofgren et al.	6,230,233	05/08/2001
Brandes et al.	6,445,006	09/03/2002
Leedy	6,682,981	01/27/2004
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Suzuno et al.	JP S63-076484	04/06/1988
Kawagishi et al.	EP 0 518 283	12/16/1992
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Other Documents

Sung, et al., "Well-aligned carbon nitride nanotubes synthesized in anodic alumina by electron cyclotron resonance chemical vapor deposition," Applied Physics Letters, Volume 74, Number 2, 197, 1999, January 11, 1999.

Phys. Rev., B, Condens, Matter Mater. Phys. (USA), Physical Review B (Condensed Matter and Materials Physics), 15 March 2003, APS through AIP, USA.

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An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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